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Applicants: Alan D. Ward *et al.*

Appln. No: 09/917,421

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ASYNCHRONOUSLY ACCESSING A  
GRAPHICS SYSTEM FOR GRAPHICS APPLICATION EVALUATION  
AND CONTROL

Examiner: Lewis Bullock, Jr.

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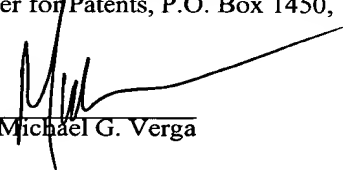
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111**

M/S: Non-Fee Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 07, 2003 (PTO Prosecution Paper No. 5), Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

It is not believed that extension for time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in a document accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 08/2025.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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